Orissa

23. Mayurbhanj

Tamil Nadu

24. Dharam Puri
25. Madurai
26. Periyar
27. Ramanathapuram
28. Anna
29. M.R.P.

Uttar Pradesh

30. Barabanki
31. Faizabad

West Bengal

32. Birbhum
33. Bankura

Pondicherry

34. Pondhicherry
35. Karaikal
26. Yanam
37. Maho.

Leakage of Chlorine Gas in the Office of the Controller of Stores, Calcutta Port Trust

920. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:
SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some of the Calcutta Port Trust (CPT) personnel and Firemen fell seriously ill after chlorine gas leaked from a cylinder in the office of the Controller of Stories, the CT, on Garden Reach Road on 7th January, 1987; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) and (b) Out of 4 cylinders of chlorine gas which were declared empty and which were being removed from stores premises for returning to the supplier on 7th January, 1987, one started leaking. Due to leakage of chlorine gas, forty Calcutta Port Trust personnel were rushed to the Hospital and eighteen of them were hospitalised. Out of these hospitalised, two were seriously affected as they were asthmatic patients. One patient was under mental shock. All the patients were progressively discharged by 18th January, 1987, after treatment.

Container Handling Facilities at Ports

921. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:
SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering a proposal of opening up container handling facilities at the Ports in the country to non-resident Indians as well as to the private sector; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) The concept of using funds of the private sector for the development of port facilities including container handling facilities has been accepted in principle.

(b) The details are yet to be worked out.

Night Landing Facilities at Airports

922. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) what are the plans of Government to provide night landing facilities at various airports in the country;

(b) what is the estimated expenditure involved therein; and

(c) by when, the airports in the country are likely to have night landing facilities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) to (c) Improvement of existing facilities at airports, including night